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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| n re Application of: | |
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| Junichi SAKAMOTO et al. |) Group Art Unit: 2628 |
| Application No.: 10/629,112 |) Examiner: Eric V. Woods |
| Filed: July 29, 2003 |) Confirmation No.: 6984 |
| For: CLIPPING DEVICE |)) |

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2007, the period for response to which extends through May 23, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper and begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet. The amendments are discussed in this paper and are also illustrated in the attached annotated drawing sheet.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.